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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Examiner: K. Chen

In re Application of:

SHINTANI et al.

Application No. 09/934,453

Filed: August 22, 2001

For: METHOD OF FABRICATING

SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 23, 2003, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

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| Sir: | | | | | | | |
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| | Small entity status is claimed for this application under 37 CFR 1.27. | | | | | | |
| \boxtimes | Petition for an extension of time for the period noted below, as well as for any additional period necessary to render the present submission timely. Please charge Deposit Account No. 12-1216 for the appropriate petition fee. | | | | | | |
| | Other: | | | | | | |
| \boxtimes | Please charge Deposit Account No. 12-1216 in the total amount indicated below. A duplicate copy of this transmittal sheet is enclosed herewith. | | | | | | |
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| | | | | SMALL ENTITY | | OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY | | |
|---|---|-------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------|------------------------------|-----------|------------------------|
| TIME EXTENSION PETITION FEE | | none | | | \$ 0.00 | | \$ 0.00 | |
| | subtract time extension fee previously paid | | none | | (\$ 0.00) | | (\$ 0.00) | |
| CLAIM FEE | CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | | HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT | RATE | ADDIT. CLAIM FEE | RATE | ADDIT. CLAIM FEE |
| TOTAL | | Minus | | =0 | x 9= | \$ | x 18= | \$ |
| INDEPENDENT | | Minus | | =0 | x 43= | \$ | x 86= | \$ |
| ☐ FIRST PRE | FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE CLAIM | | | | + 145= | \$ | + 290= | \$ |
| | | | | | | | | |
| TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE CHARGED TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT | | | | | | \$ | TOTAL | \$ |

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 12-1216.

Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.

Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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